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SUBJECT: GREEK MEMBERSHIP IN EC

REF: BRUSSELS 5276

1. WE SAW MICHAEL BUTLER (ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY
IN CHARGE OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION IN FOREIGN AND
COMMONWEALTH OFFICE) JUNE 13, WHO SAID FCO EXPECTS EC
TO CONSIDER GREEK APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP DELIBERATE-
LY AND AT LENGTH. PRINCIPAL UNKNOWN IS TURKISH
ATTITUDE. BUTLER SPECULATED THAT TURKS MIGHT WELL
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APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP THEMSELVES, IF ONLY IN ORDER TO

PROLONG CONSIDERATION OF GREEK BID. IN THIS CASE, SAID BUTLER, EC COULD SUGGEST THAT CONSIDERATION OF BOTH APPLICATIONS BE POSTPONED FOR A YEAR OR SO UNTIL CHARACTER OF LONG TERM GREEK-TURKISH RELATIONS CLEARER. BUTLER DOUBTED THAT ANY MEMBER OF EC WOULD FEEL ABLE TO VETO EVENTUAL GREEK MEMBERSHIP, BUT SAID TECHNICAL PROBLEMS--SUCH AS ABILITY OF GREEK INDUSTRY TO COMPETE IN EUROPEAN CONTEXT--ONLY JUST BEGINNING TO BE EXAMINED BY BRITISH, AND OTHER EC GOVERNMENTS. FOR THE PRESENT, BRITISH PLANNING TO PROCEED WITH CAREFUL ANALYSIS OF PROBLEM AND TO AVOID BEING DRAWN INTO PUBLIC COMMENT.

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